UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO WESTERN DIVISION

STANLEY HERBERT CASE NO. C-1-00-855

> **Plaintiff** MAGISTRATE JUDGE HOGAN

VS.

MILFORD TOWING & SERVICE,

INC., et al.

Defendants

DEFENDANTS' MEMORANDUM IN OPPOSITION TO PLAINTIFF'S MOTION IN LIMINE ON PRIOR CONVICTIONS

The Plaintiff has raised the issue of Plaintiff's prior convictions and asks this Court to exclude any evidence relating to the same. Defendants oppose this motion on the basis that Plaintiff's prior convictions are relevant to the issue of reputation in the community. The Plaintiff has brought a claim for slander against the Defendants. Part of the issue of slander for the purposes of damages is whether the Plaintiff's reputation in the community has been besmirched. Prior convictions of the Plaintiff are an issue relating to reputation and the amount of damages Plaintiff should be awarded in the event his slander claim is successful. Therefore, Defendants respectfully request that Plaintiff's motion be denied.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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